and Sicily is without secured calemity of the and possibly the ous and appalling the world's history. To give then of the immensity of it, official report puts the loss of at 1.10,000 in Messins and oue. The total number is tous towns of Sicily and Calabris the nombined forces of fire nd water have changed the fercountry into a barren waste. Messing has dis appeared from the face of the earth, together with other towns and villages. Of 14,000 living in Polina, only a lew are left to tell the tale. The dead are being buried in trenchse, or piled and burned. Relief is going in from all quarters. Those who are left are starving and suffering from cold.

Later: -On last Sunday another terriffic earth-quake shock occurred in the Stromboli Island, in Italian waters, that lasted but a few seconds. The shock was accompanied by a dull, rumbling noise, and at once Stromboli vol cano began to belch forth lava. ashes and flames. While the hous es on the island were damaged badly and the populace panicstricken, no lives were lost. The work of rescu in M. ssina is well in hand, and relief work is progressing rapidly. Few victims to the summer and full months. who were pinioned in the wreckage have been taken out alive. Meny looters have been shot or arrested and the troops are making every effort to protect not only the few survivors, but the treasures in the ruined houses.

Volcano Alarma West Virginia. Richmond, Va., Dispatch 1st to Bristol Herald Courier

Great anxiety is felt by the inhabitants of Green Bank, a small town across the border in West Virginia, over the steadily increasing appearance of a neighhoring mountain. Flames are distinctly visible at internal disturbances.

Air in the vicinity is strong with sulphuric fumes. A smouldering mass is situated on a small bluff overlooking a creek in the wild lands on the western side of the Alleghenies directly west of Virginia Hot Springs, which is almost on the border. A spring of sulphhur water near the bluff has been noted for a number of years forits vile odor and ate. Many people have observed the flames emerging from crevasses among rocks in the mountuins. The area of the molten mass se spead until it now covers filty square yards.

Several people, while digging about the sod in the burning section have turned up hot embers with their spades at a depth of ix inches below the surface. May people are preparing to leave be the neighborhood should here be any indication of tron-

I. H. Tillmen, tormer Leiutenetter known to the public as the layer of Editor Gonzales, of the nhin Mate, has gone to Cal a for his health. He has been for some time. On taking his ure Mr. Tillman wrote a which is published in his paper—the Edgefield (S.C.)

and by "varied emotione" htting adieu, perhaps fare-to the people who have this from childhood; and many gratitude for the

to. Then it is dangerous. Don't be afraid; but attend to it quick you can do it yourself and at home. Take

SCOTTS **EMULSION**

of Cod Liver Oil and live care-

This is sound doctrine, what-ever you may think or be told; and, if heeded, will save life.

SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Peerl St., New York

The Lees-McRae Institute

The tenth session of the Girl's Department of the Lees-McRae Institute closed on Dec. 14, 1908. The total enrollment for the year was 117 regular students, repres nting eight states and two for eign countries, besides a dozen or more special students. Of this

er is cold and provisions scarce, Besides the reduction in current expenses it offers to the pupils a most delightful and healthful climate while pursuing their studies, which is being appreciated it being three-fiths interest in the more and more, not only by the girls in the mountains, but also by many from other sections of sley to the said Daniel V. Yates. our country. But a greater attraction than climate is the course of instruction, including Literary, Music, Art, Basketry and Industrial, under a faculty of experienced teachers, second to none in any institution in the reach of prople of ordinary means.

that were given at the close we was given to Miss Essie Hilliard, of Yaucey county; the bread medal, given by Mrs. Moses H. Cone, was won by Miss Belle West, of Watauga county; a gold pin. given by Miss Carrie Walker, for faithfulness in the dormitory was awarded to Miss Jane Swofford, of Mitchell county; two halfscholarships, awarded by the Lees-McRae Improvement Association, were awarded to Miss Eva Thompson, of Mitchell county, and Miss Hattie Young, of Caldwell. A full scholarship was awarded to Miss Mabel Glenn, of Watauga.

Among the improvements that were added during the year. we mention the following: First, a large, handsome dining room, with a reating capacity of seventy-five. Second, bath rooms with hot and cold water and a completesewerage system. These were the gifts of Mrs. Donald McRae and Mr. W. W. Fuller, respect-

Applications for the next se sion, which will begin on May 1 1909, are already coming in, one of which comes from Cuba. Indieations point to an attendance hat will be limited only by the number of rooms in the dormi-

Unsolicited letters have come to us during the year from patrons in various parts of the country, and from across the waters, indicating that in their judg ment this is the cheapest, the sa-fest and the best school for girls in our whole country, a fact that we have been aware of for some

ODC RETURNS

Li la given out that Chirence Call of Wilkesbor, wants to succeed J. M. Milliam, of Greens boro, as United States Marshal. and we suspect he will get it, as it is probable that Congressmanelect Cowles will be free to name whom he pleases for the position, and as Call did such val iant work for Cowles in the last campaign, it is probable that he will be awarded the luscious \$4, 500 plum for his services.

Entry Notice No. 2485. State of North Carolina, Watauga County Office of Entry Taker of

E. S. Coffey locates and enters 25 a.r. a of land in Boone township on the waters of Flannery's Fork of New River, adjoining the lands of said E. S. Coffey, W. C. Coffey and others and beginning on a spruce pina, W. C. Coffey's corner and The def-indant above named will Austin, Mixe Oxendine and E. S. Coffey to the beginning, so as to boundary. Entered Jan. 1, 1909.

H. J. Hardin, Entry Taker,

NOTICE.

at the court house door, in the THOMAS town of Hoone, N. C, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, situate, iu the ounty of Watauga, State of North Carolina, on Beech Mountain George Grimsley and Ann Grimsley tracts of land, and fully described in a deed from James Grim-This 1st day of January 1909.

T. F. YATES, Assignee, of Mort.

NOTICE

December, 1908. T. B. FINLEY, Trustee.

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When you buy Snuff you want the lest. Red Band Pure Scotch Snuff is the kind that will you complete ratisfaction. It is made from the highest grade of snull tobaccose, sarefully cured and a ullita name implies -a pur rooteh anuff of the very high quality.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watanga County. Superior Court. J. C. Mast and R. A. May vs. Roy M. Os-

runs north 32 poles to a white onk. take notice that a summons in W. C. Coffey & corners, thus various courses with the lines of John Thos. Bingham, C. S. C. of Wa-Winkler's heirs, G. C. Winkler, Geo tauga county, and the same having been returned by the Sheriff at a very small proffit. "Not to be found in the State of include all the vacant land in said N. C." and the plaintiff having made the affidavit as required by law, the defendant will take notice that a warrant of attachment has been issued against the By virtue of the power of sale returnable to the next term of contained in a mortgage deed exe. the Superior Court for Watauga cuted on the 15th day Nov. 1905, by county to be held on the 22nd M. C. Oliver and wife Emma Oli day of March, 1909, to which ver to Daniel V. Yates and wife term the summors in said action

> THOMAS BINGHAM, C. S. C. NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County. In the superior court, be fore the clerk. S. P. Shull ad- January 6th 1909. ministrator of B. F. Tester deceased, against, Rebekah Tester, widow and Charles Texter, Art Tester, Millar Tester, Walter Tester, George Tester, Vic-By virtue of a decree of the sup-dress, By virtue of a Deed of Trust ex. titled cause on the 28th day of ecuted by M. M. Moretz and wife December 1908 appointing the State, and at a price that is in M L. Cowles, Guardian, to secure sell the lands described in the the sum of \$745. oo, with interest said decree, I will on Monday, Among the honors and rewards from May 7th 1904, subject to mathe 1st day of February 1909, hat were given at the close we redit of \$500.00 past due, I will between the hours of 10 o'clock sell at public auction for cash to the A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M. offer tauga County, Meet Camp Town- to wit beginning on a dogwood ship, near the head of Meet Camp Jacob Fook's corner and runs Land on the North, and the land of said line, theu south 21° east 25 W. T. Proffit on the East, and the | poles to a birch, then south 70° lands of D. V. Winebarger, J. C. east 4 poles to a stake, the n Proffit and S. G. Moretz on the south 20° east 20 poles to a stake South, and the lands of the Smith in Norris' line, then with Norris heirs, containing 100 acres, more or and Zeb Harman's line 70 poles less, Said Deed of Traut duly recor- to Zeb Harman's corner, then ded in Book J of Mortgages pp. 89. east one pole to the beginning, 90,91,92, Register of Deeds Office containing nine acres more or of Watauga Co. This the 29 day of levs. Suid sale is made for assets. This December 29th, 1908.

8. P. SHULL, Com.,

THREE VALUABLE FARMS FOR SALE

IREDELL COUNTY.

No. 1. Lies 3 miles West of Statesville on public road. containing 186 acres, almost level, lies to the South, red County people. clay subsoil. In good state of cultivation-will make 17 bales of cotton, 350 bushels of corn, 20 tons pea hay this year. Fair improvements on it. One of the most desirable farms in Iredell county. Price, \$4,500.00.

No. 2. Lies just one and one-half miles above No. 1 containing 108 acres, 50 acres in very high state of cultivation, 20 acres now in clover. Owner made this sea son, 50 bushels corn per acre. one bale cotton per acre Beautiful level land, splendid improvements. 7-room 2 story house, painted white, with every necessary out building, large double barn, shedded all round, granary tool house, best equipped farm in Iredell county. Reason for selling, owner going to move to Statesville. All improvements good as new. Price, \$5,000.00.

No. 3. Lies one mile North of Statesville on macadan road, containing 133 acres, 12 acres good branch bottom 80 acres oak timber, will cut 150,000 feet, can put 75 acres in one field, almost level. Lying slightly to the South 2.500 cords wood, besides the timber. Ideal farm for dairy, which is needed badly in Statesville. Wood bring from \$2.50 to \$3 per cord. Price, \$6,000.00.

For further information, write or call on

Having just been closed by the undersign this method of thanking the people for their liberalronage they have given me during the year just clos While it has been a panic year my sales have been equal to previous years, and I feel that it is low prices and dais d honest dealing with my customers that has held up y trade to what it has been.

Now, I wish to state, that for the next year I wish to do a greater business than I have done in the past. will continue to sell all my stock of merchandise that I had on hand the 1st day of October 1908 at anal cost for W. C. Coffey's corner, then east 32 the above entitled action was isof shoes, dress goods, notions, clothing, hats, etc., etc., and all new goods purchased since October 1st will be sold

Remember I Mean to Sell Strictly for Cash.

And will have no bad debts to contend with consequently I can afford to give to my customers bargains that they could not obtain otherwise. I have the largest and best selected stock of general merchandise ever shown in Watauga county, complete in every department. - I have number 36 were in the dormitory, the others were day pupils.

It was a wise decision to change the time of the sessions from the winter months, when the weath
winter months, when the weath
er is cold and provisions seems of the latest day of February to the complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief demanded in said complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief demanded in said complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief demanded in said complaint of the plaintiff, or the relief demanded in said complaint will be granted. This

mean to do as I have stated.

Most Respectfully,

TENNESSEE FARMS FOR SALE.

If you will write the East Tennessee Real Estate Co., Morristows toria Tester, Pearl Tester, Flor- Tenn, they will send you free of charge a booklet on tarming ence Tester, Esp. Tester, Lora a full description of the Velley of East Tennesser— a computer Tester, Grace Tester, heirs at price list of various farms of all sizes and prices. This booklet will law of B. F. Tester deceased. be of value to you, and it's free; just write a postal card for it. Ad-

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THE CITIZENS BANK

ELK PARK, North Carolina.

mention the following: The music medal was awarded to Miss
Fannie Graham, of China; the
Bible medal, endowed by Rev. W.
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C. Brown in bonor of his mother.

Sell at public auction for cash to the
for sale tor cash to the highest
for banking business done before or after those hours, you will find one of our officers around town. He will be glad Creek, bounded by the lands of S. north 55° east with the old Cook to accommodate you in any way you may desire. The best J. Proffit and the John Moretz line 62 poles to a sourwood in service is none too good for our friends.

Don't forget, keep it before you, 4 per cent. interest compounded semi-annually on savings Deposits when we issue certificates of Deposit.

N. L. MAST, Pres. W. C. COFFEY, V. P. G. P. HAGAMAN, Cash.

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As a County Institution we solicit the patronage of our

When you visit the county seat we shall be glad to have___ you call on us at the Bank.

New Years Greetings to All !

The holidays are now over; the New Year is with us: and I am pleased to say that I am still prepared to furnish my trade with fresh staple drugs, standard patent medicines, confections and, I believe I will say, the prettient line of Toilet Articles to be found in the county.

I also still have on hand, left from the holiday trade. & small stock of handsome jewelry, suited for both gentlemen and ladies, that will be sold under a positive GIAR. ANTEE. If you need anything in this line be sure to give

I always have on hand a nice little stock of well-select ed groceries, sugar, coffee, rice, ice., that should be tested by every one in reach of my store. My goods are fine; my prices are right. Give me a part of your trade. Boone N. C. Jan. 1. J. M. HODGES, M. D.